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1. ECONOFF MET WITH JOAO SANTELLI (SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS/MIN. OF COMMUNICATIONS) FEB. 9 TO DISCUSS GOB PREPARATION FOR SUBJECT CONFERENCE. SANTELLI REPORTED GOB WORKING GROUP ON WARC WOULD NOT BE FORMED UNTIL MID-MARCH; THUS HE PREFERRED NOT TO SPECULATE FOR THE PRESENT ON PRINCIPAL WARC ISSUES, AREAS OF INTEREST TO GOB, ETC. SANTELLI, HOWEVER, EXPRESSED HIGH DEGREE OF INTEREST IN EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH RESPONSIBLE USG OFFICIALS AS PREPARATIONS FOR WARC PROGRESS. IN THIS REGARD, SANTELLI SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON COMPOSITION OF VARIUS US WARC WORKING GROUPS.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST DEPT. FORWARD ABOVE INFORMATION ON WARC WORKING GROUPS TO EMBASSY FOR PASSAGE TO SANTELLI. ALSO PLS FORWARD, PER SANTELLI REQUEST, NAMES OF NEW OFFICIALS IN OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY.

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3. FYI: WHILE LAUDING PRODUCTIVE CONTACTS WITH US REPS AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS, SANTELLI ALSO MADE STRONG PITCH FOR MORE FREQUENT PERSONAL CONTACTS BETWEEN USG AND GOB OFFICIALS ON VARIOUS TELECOMMUNICATIONS ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST. ECONOFF PROMISED TO CONVEY THIS MESSAGE AND PROVIDE

ANY APPROPRIATE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING ANY SUCH FUTURE CONTACTS. EMBASSY BELIEVES GOB WOULD EAGERLY WELCOME A US TEAM TO DISCUSS WARC.
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